

GRACE STEPS DOWN AND OUT.

The Ex-Mayor Resigns from the Grant Monument Association.

Apparent Efforts to Induce Him to Reconsider His Action.

The resignation of ex-Mayor William H. Grace as Trustee and President of the Grant Monument Association, which has been leaked out, will be a surprise to many members of the Association, although the step was taken Nov. 14.

The ex-Mayor's resignation has not yet been acted upon, and Treasurer Horace L. Hotchkiss says he does not believe it will be accepted. The fact that the resignation has been accepted indicates that those who knew of it have been making efforts to induce Mr. Grace to reconsider his determination, which seems to be the culmination of a friction which has existed in the Association for some time.

In admitting that he had resigned, Mr. Grace said to a reporter:

"Just before I went to Washington, last October, I learned that certain members of the Executive Committee proposed to elect certain persons members of the Grant Monument Association."

"The idea seemed to me sure to make a dangerous precedent. The Association is the only power competent to elect its members when vacancies occur, and I believe it is ridiculous for an Executive Committee, as well as illegal, to usurp that power."

"I wrote to Horace L. Hotchkiss, treasurer of the Association, and protested against the proposed action."

Despite President Grace's protest the Executive Committee in his absence elected the proposed trustees and Nov. 14 Mr. Grace's letter of resignation was sent to Secretary Greener.

Mr. Greener has not yet called a meeting of the Association, as Mr. Grace requested, however, and it does not officially know of Mr. Grace's resignation.

Hamilton Fish, Jr., is the Association's Vice-President, but his age makes it impossible for him to act, and consequently Col. Elliott F. Shepard, the second Vice-President, will for a time at least be President.

In regard to Mr. Grace's statement, Treasurer Hotchkiss says he has not officially heard of Mr. Grace's resignation, and does not believe it will be accepted.

"When I produced President Grace's protest at the meeting of the Association, which preceded a by-law which stated that when a vacancy occurred it might be filled at the next meeting of the Executive Committee or of the Association. Under the circumstances we thought it best to proceed with the election."

The best and most accurate report of the Yale-Princeton Game will be found in The Evening World's Football Extra. Direct wires to Manhattan Field.

SPRINTED FOR A THIEF.

A Speedy Jersey City Policeman Made a Creditable Capture.

Athletic Policeman Tied, of Jersey City's Second Precinct, is today receiving congratulations from citizens and fellow-officers on his capture of a sprinter thief.

On Grove street near First yesterday afternoon Tied heard a cry of "Stop thief!" He saw a well-dressed man running at the top of his speed up Grove street. The officer chased him through Grove and Fifth streets to the Pennsylvania freight yards, gaining at every turn, and finally rounding up the fugitive.

The prisoner, William Coleman, of Philadelphia, had entered upon a robbery of James Kennedy at 254 Grove street. He was detected while escaping. Justice O'Brien remanded him until to-morrow.

A Matter of Taste.

She says he hasn't proposed to her, as his father desired, because she is too rich for him.

He—Well, she is pretty well seasoned. She's been through twice.

The Candid Boy.

"Why do we like cannon after express joy over Washington's birthday more than over mine?" asked a Texas school teacher.

"Because Washington is dead and you ain't," was the reply of an irreverent boy.

STARS AT LAST IN TRAGEDY.

Actor Nelson Decker Cuts His Throat in the Forrest Home.

Suffering from Melancholia, He Used a Razor.

The sad fate of Nelson Decker, once the friend of Edwin Booth and a popular actor, who is now dying in his room at the Forrest Home, at Honesburg, a Philadelphia suburb, after a determined effort to end his clouded existence, is the talk of the actors on the ill-fated day.

Decker is well known among the members of his profession in this city. He is a member of the Actors' Fund and is well thought of by the Players' Club. He is not more than fifty years of age.

He was a member of Booth's stock company when the tragedian established his theatre at Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue, and played in the productions of Booth's extensive repertoire.

It was about ten years ago that Decker married Ward Atwater, a beautiful English actress who visited New York in 1881. She had property at Hythe, England, and after their marriage they lived there for several years.

A few years ago they again visited this country, and it was discovered that their domestic relations were not happy. In San Francisco, where the couple wound up a lengthy tour, Mrs. Decker left her husband and Decker returned to New York.

He was a changed man and his downfall was rapid. His old friends did not desert him, and about the last of September, when there was a vacancy in the Forrest Home, his address was obtained through the kindness of Edwin Booth.

An acquaintance had been an inmate of the Forrest Home Decker has been melancholy, and the fear that he would kill himself led to steps being taken to place him in the North-west Insane Asylum.

Arrangements were completed for his removal yesterday, when he was discovered lying in a pool of blood in his room with a razor by his side. He had cut his throat and severed his jugular vein.

There is no hope of saving his life.

HERR VON LIVERHOFF DEAD.

The Austrian Attache at Washington Who Shot Himself at Vienna.

VIENNA, Nov. 26.—Herr Krapf von Liverhoff, Secretary of the Austrian Legation at Washington, who, while absent from his post on leave, shot himself with a revolver on Tuesday last, is dead.

He arrived in Vienna, accompanied by his wife and child, on Tuesday, and shortly afterwards he made the attempt upon his life.

Herr Krapf von Liverhoff was suffering from mental depression, and was probably not responsible for his act.

WOULD-BE CAPTORS CAUGHT.

Revolutionist Garza Takes the Men Sent to Take Him.

BROWNSTOWN, Tex., Nov. 26.—It is reported reliably from Mir, Mexico, that Col. Neveez Hernandez, who has been in command of the troops supposed to be hunting Garza, was arrested in Mir, yesterday, by Gen. Garza and started under a strong escort for the City of Mexico.

It is also stated the officers of Hernandez's command were deprived of their arms at the same time.

Found a Drowned Man's Body.

Police this morning recovered from the East River the body of John Hewson, skipper of the steam launch, who was drowned at the foot of East Ninety-ninth street Oct. 21.

AMONG THE WHEELMEN.

The National theatre party is destined to be a most successful one.

A. J. Zimmerman will act as referee at the Assembly of the National Theatre party.

The National Theatre party will eat their Thanksgiving dinner at Bond Brook.

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MOTHER AND CHILD BURNED.

Painter Hoffman's Family Meet a Heart-Rendering Death.

Fatally Injured by an Explosion of Benzine.

Thanksgiving Day brings grief in place of cheer to the heart of Charles Hoffman, who keeps a little paint shop at 121 East Eleventh street and occupies rooms in the rear of the store. All that he held dearest on earth—his young wife Minnie and his cooing boy of two years, Willie, he in his coffin this morning, their bodies blackened by fire, the result of an explosion of a can of benzine at 6:30 o'clock last night.

Painter Hoffman went downtown yesterday afternoon to purchase supplies for his store and left his wife to look after the business.

A customer, about 6:30, asked for a small quantity of benzine, and Mrs. Hoffman, who had the baby in her arms, placed him on the floor back of the counter while she waited on the customer.

She raised a five-gallon can of benzine to the counter, right beneath a gas jet which reaches down from the ceiling over the centre of the counter.

While pouring the benzine from the big can into a small bottle the fumes of the fluid suddenly ignited, and a tiny stream of flame ran through the neck of the can and a tremendous explosion followed.

The burning benzine was scattered over Mrs. Hoffman and the child upon the floor.

The customer rushed from the shop horrified, followed by Mrs. Hoffman, who had the baby in her arms. They were literally ablaze.

The explosion was heard by the firemen of Engine Company 28, on the opposite side of East Eleventh street, and they rushed to the rescue.

Fireman Daniel McKnight threw off his coat and with it enveloped Mrs. Hoffman from head to foot and carried her into a back room.

Fireman McDermott hurried off with the infant to a nearby drug store.

An alarm sounded together with an ambulance call, and the mother and child were taken to Bellevue Hospital. The fire was quickly extinguished, and no material damage to the apartments.

Mrs. Hoffman died at Bellevue at 11 o'clock last night, and at 4 o'clock this morning little Willie breathed his last.

FROM THE WORLD OF LABOR.

A mass-meeting of haters will be held to-morrow evening at Germania Hall, Fifth street and Ninth avenue.

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